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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF: Gordon D. Blacklock

SERIAL Number: 10/078,002 ART UNIT: 3732

FILED: February 20, 2002 EXAMINER: Ralph A. Lewis

FOR: DRILLING GUIDE FOR DENTAL IMPLANTATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Petition is hereby made for a one month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated January 15, 2004 in the above entitled application.

The normal period for response expired April 15, 2004 and, with approval of this requested one month extension, the period for response will expire on May 15, 2004. Since May 15, 2004 is a Saturday, the allotted response period extends to Monday, May 17, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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